In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 20-22, 24-29, 33-34, amend claims 9-19, 36, 41-43, all as shown below.

What is claimed is:

1. (Original) A compound having the formula:

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein

R¹ and R² are independently selected from the group consisting of -OR', -SR', -NR'R', -NO₂, -CN, -C(O)R', -C(O)OR', -C(O)NR'R', -C(NR')NR'R', trihalomethyl, halogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkenyl, alkynyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl and substituted heteroarylalkyl; each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of -H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heteroaryl and heteroarylalkyl and;

R³ is selected from the group consisting of –H, -OR', -SR', -NR'R', -NO₂, -CN, -C(O)R', -C(O)OR', -C(O)NR'R', -C(NR')NR'R', trihalomethyl, halogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, substituted alkenyl, alkynyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl and substituted heteroarylalkyl; each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of –H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heteroaryl and heteroarylalkyl and;

X is a linear alkyl or alkenyl chain of C_0 - C_3 .

2. (Original) A compound having the formula:

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein

 R^1 and R^2 are independently selected from the group consisting of -OR', -SR', -NR'R', -NO₂, -CN, -C(O)R', -C(O)OR', -C(O)NR'R', -C(NR')NR'R', trihalomethyl, halogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl and substituted heteroarylalkyl; each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of -H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl and;

R³ is selected from the group consisting of –H, -OR', -SR', -NR'R', -NO₂, -CN, -C(O)R', -C(O)OR', -C(O)NR'R', -C(NR')NR'R', trihalomethyl, halogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkenyl, alkynyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl and substituted heteroarylalkyl; each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of –H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heteroaryl and heteroarylalkyl and;

X is a linear alkyl or alkenyl chain of C₀-C₃.

3. (Original) A compound having the formula:

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein

R¹ and R² are independently selected from the group consisting of -H, -OR', -SR', -NR'R', -NO₂, -CN, -C(O)R', -C(O)OR', -C(O)NR'R', -C(NR')NR'R', trihalomethyl, halogen, alkyl,

substituted alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkenyl, alkynyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl and substituted heteroarylalkyl; each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of –H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heteroaryl and heteroarylalkyl and;

X is a linear alkyl or alkenyl chain of C₀-C₄.

4. (Original) A compound having the formula:

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein

R¹ and R² are independently selected from the group consisting of -H, -OR', -SR', -NR'R', -NO₂, -CN, -C(O)R', -C(O)OR', -C(O)NR'R', -C(NR')NR'R', trihalomethyl, halogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkenyl, alkynyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl and substituted heteroarylalkyl; each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of -H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heteroaryl and heteroarylalkyl and;

X is a linear alkyl or alkenyl chain of C₀-C₄.

5. (Original) A compound having the formula:

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein

R is independently selected from the group consisting of -H, -OR', -SR', -NR'R', -NO₂, -CN, -C(O)R', -C(O)OR', -C(O)NR'R', -C(NR')NR'R', trihalomethyl, halogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl and substituted heteroarylalkyl; each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of -H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heteroaryl and heteroarylalkyl and;

X is a linear alkyl or alkenyl chain of C_0 - C_4 .

6. (Original) A compound having the formula:

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein

R is independently selected from the group consisting of -H, -OR', -SR', -NR'R', -NO₂, -CN, -C(O)R', -C(O)OR', -C(O)NR'R', -C(NR')NR'R', trihalomethyl, halogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkenyl, alkynyl, substituted arylalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl and substituted heteroarylalkyl; each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of -H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heteroaryl and heteroarylalkyl and;

X is a linear alkyl or alkenyl chain of C₀-C₄.

7. (Original) A compound having the formula:

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein

R is independently selected from the group consisting of -H, -OR', -SR', -NR'R', -NO₂, -CN, -C(O)R', -C(O)OR', -C(O)NR'R', -C(NR')NR'R', trihalomethyl, halogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl and substituted heteroarylalkyl; each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of -H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heteroaryl and heteroarylalkyl.

8. (Original) A compound having the formula:

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein

R is independently selected from the group consisting of -H, -OR', -SR', -NR'R', -NO₂, -CN, -C(O)R', -C(O)OR', -C(O)NR'R', -C(NR')NR'R', trihalomethyl, halogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, arylalkyl, substituted arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl and substituted heteroarylalkyl; each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of -H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, arylalkyl, heteroaryl and heteroarylalkyl.

- 9. (Currently Amended) A <u>The</u> compound of Formula <u>claim</u> 1 where $R^1 = -COOH$ and $R^2 = -(CH_2)_2$ -COOH.
- 10. (Currently Amended) A <u>The</u> compound of Formula <u>claim</u> 3 where $R^1 = -CH(COOH)-(CH_2)_2$ -COOH.
- 11. (Currently Amended) A The compound of Formula claim 1 where R^3 = methyl or Formula 3 where R^2 =methyl.
- 12. (Currently Amended) A <u>The</u> compound of Formula <u>claim</u> 1 where R^3 = allyl or Formula 3 where R^2 =allyl.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A <u>The</u> compound of <u>Formula claim</u> 1 or Formula 3 where $X = -(CH_2)_3$.
- 14. (Currently Amended) A The compound of Formula claim 1 where $X = -(CH_2)_2$.
- 15. (Currently Amended) A The compound of Formula claim 3 where $X = -(CH_2)_4$.
- 16. (Currently Amended) A <u>The</u> compound of Formula <u>claim</u> 1 where $X = -CH_2-CH=CH_2$, (where the CH_2 of X is adjacent to the carbon attached to the NH_2 group).
- 18. (Currently Amended) A <u>The</u> compound of Formula <u>claim</u> 1 where $R^1 = -COOH$; $R^2 = -(CH_2)_2$ -COOH; $R^3 = H$; $X = -(CH_2)_3$ -

19. (Currently Amended) A <u>The</u> compound of Formula <u>claim</u> 3 where $R^1 = -CH(COOH)$ -(CH_2)₂-COOH; $R^2 = H$; $X = -(CH_2)_4$ -

20-22. (Cancel)

23. (Currently Amended) A method of treating a patient to protect neurons otherwise

destined to degenerate or die as a result of an injury or disease, comprising administering to a

patient an effective amount of one or more compounds of compounds of Formula 1, Formula 2,

Formula 3 or Formula 4, Formula 5, Formula 6, Formula 7 or Formula 8 claim 1

24-29. (Cancel)

30. (Original) The method of claim 23, wherein the disease is selected from the group

consisting of Huntington's disease, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis,

amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, peripheral neuropathy, spinal muscular atrophy, Creutzfeldt-Jakob

disease, AIDS dementia, progressive supranuclear palsy, myelinopathia centralis diffusa

(vanishing white matter disease), chronic neurodegenerative disease, Down's syndrome,

leukoencephalopathy and Schilder's disease.

31. (Original) The method of claim 23, wherein the injury or disease is a result of one or

more conditions selected from the group consisting of neuroblastoma, head injury, traumatic

brain injury, stroke, ischemic injury, hypoxic injury, reperfusion injury, epilepsy, cardiac artery

bypass graft surgery, toxin damage, radiation damage and asphyxia.

32. (Original) The method of claim 23, wherein the injury or disease is a result of an

inflammatory condition.

33-34. (Cancel)

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35. (Original) A method of claim 23, wherein at least one other anti-apoptotic, anti-necrotic

or neuroprotective agent is administered.

36. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23, further comprising administering another

agent 35 where the other anti-apoptotic or neuroprotective agent is selected from selected from

the group consisting of growth factors and associated derivatives (insulin-like growth factor-I

[IGF-I], insulin-like growth factor-II [IGF-II], transforming growth factor- β 1, activin, growth

hormone, nerve growth factor, growth hormone binding protein, IGF-binding proteins

[especially IGFBP-3] IGF-binding protein, basic fibroblast growth factor, acidic fibroblast

growth factor, the hst/Kfgk gene product, FGF-3, FGF-4, FGF-6, keratinocyte growth factor,

androgen-induced growth factor, int-2, fibroblast growth factor homologous factor-1 (FHF-1),

FHF-2, FHF-3 and FHF-4, karatinocyte growth factor 2, glial-activating factor, FGF-10 and

FGF-16, ciliary neurotrophic factor, brain derived growth factor, neurotrophin 3, neurotrophin 4,

bone morphogenetic protein 2 [BMP-2], glial-cell line derived neurotrophic factor, activity-

dependant neurotrophic factor, cytokine leukaemia inhibiting factor, oncostatin M, an

interleukin, α - interferon, β - interferon, γ - interferon, consensus interferon, TNF- α ,

clomethiazole; kynurenic acid, Semax, tacrolimus, L-threo-1-phenyl-2-decanoylamino-

3-morpholino-1-propanol, adrenocorticotropin-(4-9) analogue [ORG 2766], dizolcipine [MK-

801], selegiline, a glutamate antagonist, an AMPA antagonist and an anti-inflammatory agent.

37. (Original) The method of claim 36 wherein said glutamate antagonist is selected from

the group consisting of NPS1506, GV1505260, MK-801 and GV150526.

38. (Original) The method of claim 36 wherein said AMPA antagonist is selected from the

group consisting of 2,3-dihydroxy-6-nitro-7-sulfamoylbenzo(f)quinoxaline (NBQX), LY303070

and LY300164.

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- 39. (Original) The method of claim 36, wherein said anti-inflammatory agent is selected from the group consisting of an anti-MAdCAM-1 antibody and an antibody against an integrin $\alpha 4\beta 1$ receptor and an integrin $\alpha 4\beta 7$ receptor.
- 40. (Original) The method of claim 39 wherein said anti-MAdCAM-1 antibody is MECA-367.
- 41. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23 where the compound is (2S, 3'S, 8'R, 11'S) 2-{[(3'-Amino-1'-aza -2'-oxobicyclo[6.3.0]-undecyl)-11'-carbonyl]amino}-1,5-pentanedioic acid trifluoroacetate salt (48).
- 42. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23 where the compound is (2S, 9'R, 12'S)-2-{[(1',4'-Diaza-2'-oxobicyclo[7.3.0]dodecyl)-12'-carbonyl]amino}-1,5-pentanedioic acid trifluoroacetate (68).
- 43. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23, wherein said condition is hypoxic eschemia ischemia.
- 44. (Original) The method of claim 23, wherein said condition is neurotoxicity.